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They Mayor and Council took swift action to affirm Administrative Directives halting water shutoffs, delaying income tax deadlines, creating drive-thru lanes for downtown businesses and the deployment of comprehensive mitigation measure for City operations. If need be, we will utilize new technology to host virtual public meetings that will include public input and observation.

<https://www.thetimesherald.com/.../local-gov-meet.../2903310001/>



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**Local gov. gets creative to hold public meetings, or cancels them, amid coronavirus outbreak**

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St. Clair County Joint Information Center Media Release  
St. Clair County – COVID-19 Daily Update #6

Overall Confirmed COVID-19 Cases by State and County

Michigan is reporting 1,791 confirmed cases, including 24 deaths. St. Clair County remains at eight (8) confirmed cases. St. Clair County Health Department is monitoring 33 people under investigation and monitoring 59 people which includes travelers and contacts to suspect and confirmed cases.

Addressing Common Community Concerns

1. For more information regarding whether you are considered an essential worker or not, first ask your employer. Some employers may also provide letters for essential employees. If you receive a letter, keep it in your vehicle however, people will not be stopped by law enforcement to provide proof. For guidance on essential workforce, visit, [www.cisa.gov](http://www.cisa.gov) or e-mail [CISA.CAT@cisa.dhs.gov](mailto:CISA.CAT@cisa.dhs.gov).
2. Due to the heavy volume of testing, results may not be available for 10 business days or longer. Results can be obtained from the testing facility. The St. Clair County Health Department does not have access to all of the results.

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**Dennis D Smith** Mr Freed , people need to be wearing face mask to their regular shopping , but none are available. All clerks also need to be wearing face masks if we are going to win this. Please help. Thank you

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**Blair Kellerman** So even if you get tested by some miracle the results take up to 10 days? Why bother!?

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**James Freed**

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I feel like such a fool for ever buying store bought toys. All she wanted was big boxes. Hope everyone is making the most of family time! Stay home. Stay safe. Save lives!



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**Shelly Darling** Household items pacify my little guy...spatulas, measuring cups, spoons...less is more in our household!

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**Lu Andersen** Our kids lived boxes, wooden spoons, canning jar rings and soft rubber balls. Oh the money we could have saved on all those legos, Fischer- price and Mattel!

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**James Freed**

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With technology today there's really nothing I can't do from my home office that is done at my main office. Perhaps, less toddler yelling...Stay home. Stay Safe. Save lives.



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**April Malick** Good job it takes skills.[Like](#) · [Reply](#) · 19h

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**James Freed** April Malick, the key part is lowering into the crib with pacy and blanky position undisturbed.[Like](#) · [Reply](#) · 19h[View 1 more reply](#)**Michelle Gosger Caldwell** It's truly an art form, isn't it![Like](#) · [Reply](#) · 20h[1 Reply](#)[View 5 more comments](#)**James Freed**

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## St. Clair County – COVID-19 Daily Media Update #5

As of 3-23-20 at 4:00pm, the State of Michigan is reporting 1,328 confirmed cases, including 15 deaths. St. Clair County is now reporting eight (8) confirmed cases. The new case is a 68 y/o male, hospitalized, with no travel history. St. Clair County Health Department is monitoring 35 suspect cases and monitoring 63 people which includes travelers and contacts to suspect and confirmed cases.

Justin Westmiller, St. Clair County Homeland Security and Emergency Management Director stated, "It is extremely important that our community heed the governor's order to "stay at home, stay safe." This will help to halt the transmission of COVID-19 and allow everyone to return to a normal way of life much sooner. Essential workers are still needed for the health, safety and security of our county.

The St. Clair County Emergency Operations Center (EOC) continues interagency coordination, information sharing, decision making and response planning efforts. The EOC will remain active throughout the COVID-19 public health emergency.

For further information visit: [cdc.gov/coronavirus](http://cdc.gov/coronavirus); [Michigan.gov/coronavirus](http://Michigan.gov/coronavirus); or [scchealth.co](http://scchealth.co). A general St. Clair County COVID-19 Informational Hotline is available Monday through Friday, (810) 966-4163, 8:00am-4:30pm or email questions to [covid19@stclaircounty.org](mailto:covid19@stclaircounty.org). The State of Michigan hotline is 1-888-535-6136 and is operational daily 8:00am – 5:00pm or email questions to [COVID19@michigan.gov](mailto:COVID19@michigan.gov).

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**James Freed**

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Based on guidance from healthcare experts we have closed the playgrounds at our City parks. This is not something we take lightly. Stay home. Stay safe. Save lives.

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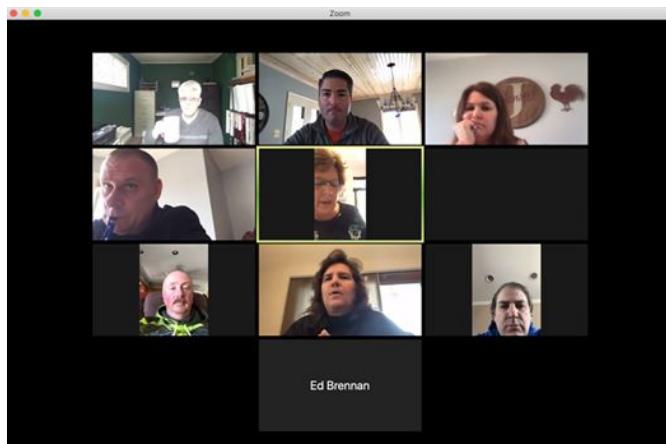


**Jenny Wallis Houck** Good evening James Freed. I was wondering where you got the sign from. We're thinking of adding one to our subdivision park in Shorewood Forrest in Fort Gratiot. Thank you!

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March 22 at 5:04 PM

Today, I held another virtual department head meeting with senior leadership. Although we are working apart, we are still working together to ensure Police, Fire, Water, Sewer, Parks and other essential services continue to be delivered.



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**James Freed**

March 22 at 4:11 PM

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## St. Clair County – COVID-19 Daily Media Update #4

As of 3-22-20 at 4:00pm, the State of Michigan is reporting 1,035 confirmed cases, including eight (8) deaths. St. Clair County remains at seven (7) confirmed cases. St. Clair County Health Department is monitoring 42 people under investigation, along with 73 of their contacts.

Dr. Annette Mercatante, Medical Health Officer explains why the St. Clair County Health Department does not name potential exposure locations; "When confirmed cases are identified, it is very likely community wide transmission is already present. Everyone should be following all recommended prevention measures and advisories to help slow down further spread."

The St. Clair County Emergency Operations Center (EOC) continues interagency coordination, information sharing, decision making and response planning efforts. The EOC will remain active throughout the COVID-19 public health emergency.

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**Heather Fitzpatrick** Ohio is on lockdown starting Monday night thru April 6th. Only essential businesses will be open. All others are to stay home.

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**Nicole Ciganik** Thank you for showing confirmed AND suspected numbers. This makes it much more "real" to people. Valid data goes along way!

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**James Freed**

March 21 at 8:14 PM

I don't normally post things my crazy parents do, but this one I will. Be sure to help your neighbors everyone! We are in this together. It's what makes Michigan great.

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My name is Bud Freed. I wanted to help my neighbors during this Corona Virus Quarantine. I didn't know what I could do, but I got an idea. I am fortunate that I work outside of homes, I service. I'm out and about all day. If you need me to pick something up for you, just put a list of items you need under the bottle and place it on your porch. Give me a call and let me know it's there. I'll get your items and leave them on the porch. That simple. Don't drink the Coke until you can celebrate when this whole thing is over. Better yet, come over and we'll celebrate together. Keep well!

Bud and Jane Freed

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**Debbie Franklin Luff** I love your parents and they are always kind and also a little crazy just like Allen and I. Good job Bud and Jane!

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**Carol Warwick** Not crazy at all...very kind, inventive and generous!

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March 21 at 5:21 PM ·

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## St. Clair County – COVID-19 Daily Media Update #3

Daily updates on St. Clair County COVID-19 information. As of 3-21-20 at 4:00pm, according to the Michigan Department of Health & Human Services (MDHHS), there are 787 confirmed cases, including five deaths in Michigan. St. Clair County remains at seven (7) confirmed cases. St. Clair County Health Department is monitoring 52 people under investigation, along with 73 of their contacts.

Dr. Annette Mercatante, Medical Health Officer at the St. Clair County Health Department stated, "We know these are uncertain times and it is important to rely on accurate sources of information. Be aware of the sources you follow, as they may not be valid. When in doubt, use recommendations put in place by the CDC, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) and the St. Clair County Health Department".

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## St. Clair County – COVID-19 Daily Media Update #2

Daily updates on St. Clair County COVID-19 information. As of 3-20-20 at 4:00pm, according to the State of Michigan, the number of confirmed coronavirus cases reaches 549 in Michigan. Three people who have died from the virus, two in Detroit and one in Wayne County. Out of those numbers, St. Clair County has a total of seven (7) confirmed positive cases reported to the St. Clair County Health Department. No additional confirmed cases. We are monitoring 51 people under investigation, along with 76 of their contacts.

Dr. Annette Mercatante, Medical Health Officer at the St. Clair County Health Department stated, "This unparalleled event is continuing to unfold and public health officials are working on all aspects. The St. Clair County Emergency Operations Center is fully operational, including partners from Emergency Management, public health, hospitals, law enforcement, Tri-hospital EMS, fire, city, county government and more working to protect the health and wellbeing of our community."

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**Stacie Dimick** Something that may be helpful for tracking where/who you have been in contact with is to check your Google timeline. If you have your "location history" turned on, the Google Timeline will show where you have travelled.

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March 20 at 3:26 PM ·

The [City of Port Huron Parks & Recreation Department](#) is launching innovative virtual recreation programs to help keep our residents and kids active. Be sure to take advantage of this innovative programming.

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**Port Huron Recreation Department reduces social distancing through virtual recreation**

The Port Huron Recreation Department has planned a variety of fun virtual activities for families during school closings. Families can participate in all activities free of charge via the department's Facebook page "@phrec". Activities and times vary by day.

As an incentive, the Recreation Department is offering participants the opportunity to earn "REC Bucks," vouchers that can be used towards swim tokens, REC prizes and select REC programs, once the Recreation Department opens again.

"I can only imagine how challenging it is to entertain young children while having to keep them inside all day," said Nancy Winzer, Port Huron Parks & Recreation director.

A coloring activity debuts the virtual fun on Sunday, March 22 and continues until schools reopen.

Port Huron Parks & Recreation staff will lead activities including song time for toddlers, virtual tours, fitness videos and even a special game of trivia with Nancy Winzer.

For more information, please visit City of Port Huron Parks & Recreation Department Facebook page (@phrec).

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**James Freed**

March 20 at 3:08 PM

Today alone, 16,938 meals were served to children in our community by the hardworking food service folks at [Port Huron Schools](#). These people are the real hero's in our community!



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**James Freed** Mary Ann Cowden we are on it.

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**Michelle Prokuda** Great work! Now how about some type of meals on wheels for out seniors and home bound ?

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**James Freed** Michelle Prokuda we already have that in place.

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**St. Clair County – COVID-19 Daily Media Update #1**

tes on St. Clair County COVID-19 information. As of 3-19-20 at 4:00pm, St.

s a cumulative total of 7 confirmed positive cases reported to the St. Clair C  
partment.

o #1 – 61 year old male, no travel, recovering at home

o #2 – 41 y/o female, no travel, recovering at home

o #3 – 41 y/o female, no travel, hospitalized

o #4 – 50 y/o male, international travel, recovering at home

o #5 – 72 y/o male, no travel, recovering at home

o Two cases were previously reported in a previous media release

o The Health Department is monitoring 55 people under investigation, a

80 of their contacts.

o All contacts of confirmed positives are monitored by St. Clair County H

Department staff.

have community transmission at this time. People who feel well  
s contact to a positive COVID case, our staff will evaluate the sit  
tacts need testing. We are trying to preserve testing for those w  
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C continues to ensure full operations for the health and wellbein  
e work through this unprecedented event."

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» Mercatante, Medical Health Officer at the St. Clair County Health Departr

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**Amber Leanne** Thank you for the updates, good idea.

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**Amanda Jane Kisielewicz** Well that's just scary. You can basically  
come contact with it the grocery store.

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**James Freed**

March 19 at 1:59 PM ·

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St. Clair County COVID-19 Daily Media Updates  
Begin March 19 at 4:00 pm

Beginning Thursday, March 19, at 4:00 pm, a daily media COVID-19 update will be provided through a media release. Weekend updates will be provided as needed.

This is necessary to streamline media requests on planning and response activities, including more accurate and thorough information such as cases or changed guidance.

These updates will also be posted on the St. Clair County Health Department website [www.scchealth.co](http://www.scchealth.co).

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March 18 at 4:14 PM · [Like Page](#)

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**James Freed**  
March 19 at 1:35 PM ·

Mayor Repp and I have been working with the St. Clair County Emergency Operations Center as our community prepares and deploys resources to confront the Coronavirus Emergency. Public Safety Officials are in constant communication with the various stakeholders in the community, including our two hospitals, EMS and Central Dispatch. We have conducted numerous virtual briefings with various resources as we continue to navigate this crisis.

We have made available City facilities a... [See More](#)



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**Pamela D Long** Thank you for staying in touch with local official's who have the information necessary to get through this awful situation. And for getting it out to those in the community. We are all trying to navigate something new and appreciate what you are doing to help. Thank you.

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**Pat Patterson** James Freed In an effort to be of service and help the city during this difficult time, if there is anything you can think(outside of leading our non-profit) of where I can be of assistance, or recruit a small team to help, please let me know

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**Jason Runge** How much longer will we be expected to go on working while clearly there is no control of the spread of this virus? **James Freed** what is the city's plan for the people who live here. Not trying to be rude just simply wanting answers. It's been proven the only way to stop spreading this is for people to stay at home yet a lot of us are still told we have to come to work.

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**Jasmyne Ranay** Your city manager isn't elected. He's appointed so he isn't voted in. Also, our mayor and city council aren't paid a yearly or hourly salary. They literally make roughly 50\$ per council meeting they attend. The mayor makes \$60.

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**James Freed**

March 18 at 8:56 PM ·

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March 18 at 7:07 PM ·

The coronavirus outbreak is still in its early stages in our region, and there is tremendous uncertainty over how the virus will impact our community now and in the weeks and months that follow.

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**James Freed** Nina Wilson Kinney we have a drive thru at Lake Huron.[Like](#) · [Reply](#) · 5d

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March 17 at 6:18 PM ·

We interrupt this global pandemic for a strong dose of cute.

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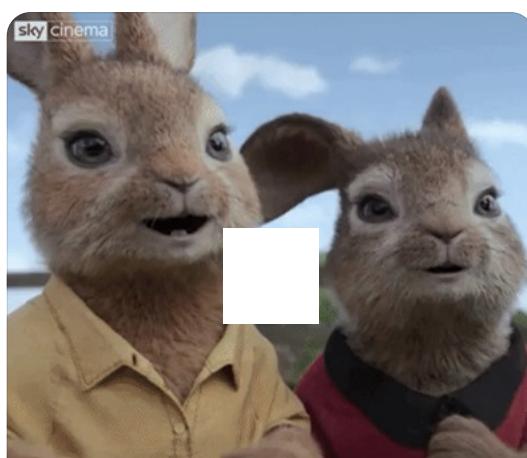
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**Angie Sanderson** Beautiful! What is being done for our homeless/most vulnerable citizens? I'm so sry for putting this here. It just worries me. Meantime. Enjoy that baby! ... [See More](#)

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**Connie Moak Burdick** Get the shovel and pails we're going to the beach! Lol.

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**James Freed**

March 16 at 3:00 PM

We have now established drive-thru/pick-up zones throughout **Downtown Port Huron** so that you can continue to support your local small businesses.

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**Lighthouse Lawn Care** What businesses are allowed to continue to work? Are we trying to keep the number of people in a business below a target number?

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**Kris Futryk** A great example of a community working together!

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**James Freed**

March 16 at 1:55 PM

"When we have an at-risk population, we can't let red tape and bureaucracy get in the way. I am grateful that we have a school superintendent who blazed through and cut red tape and didn't let process get in the way of delivering results for our students."

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**Coronavirus: Port Huron Schools to feed all students through pandemic**

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March 16 at 12:17 PM ·

**Port Huron Schools** Superintendent Jamie Cain and I held a press conference to announce a meal program for EVERY child in our community. No matter what school you go to, public, charter, private or homeschooled, it doesn't matter. Very proud of our schools for stepping up and taking care of our children and families who may face food insecurity.

There will be eight pickup locations and delivery for those who cannot get to the sites. Two meals a day for seven days available. That's 14 meals a week. 3,000 meals have already been delivered. We expect that demand to rise.



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you so much!

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**Christina Joy** Way to step up and embrace our community during such a time of uncertainty! Much respect-

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**James Freed**

March 16 at 10:02 AM ·

Administrative Directive issued this morning regarding drive-thru/pickup lanes.



To: Director of Public Works

From: James R. Freed, City Manager, CAO

Cc: Mayor and Council

Date: March 16, 2020

Re: Administrative Directive Drive Thru/Pickup Lanes Setup

Director Witter,

The Governor has issued an Executive Order to close all restaurants and bars effective at 3pm today. However, the Executive Order does allow these restaurants and bars to remain open for takeout services. With that said, I am directing the Public Works to begin deploying cones and barrels in front of downtown businesses to create drive-thru/pickup lanes in front of restaurants and bars. This will allow more capacity and residents to still patronize these important small businesses.

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**Jay Minard** Great idea but I'm a little concerned about implementation. Could be chaotic if the intent isn't very obvious.

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**Mindy Bennett-Duckworth** Thank you James for looking out for the working class

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**James Freed**

March 15 at 10:27 PM ·

It's been a crazy week or so. I've learned a lot and faced decisions I never pondered I'd need to make. How quickly we realize how small our world is. Maybe we took for granted grocery shopping, seeing friends at a local pub or at church on Sunday. Perhaps we forgot how much we love each other and need each other... This uncertain time will pass, as sure as the changing of seasons. However, that appreciation of being together, fellowshiping and loving each other, let's make sure that doesn't.

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Rachael Farquhar Can you allow city residents to have chickens? Since eggs are hard to get in stores now.

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Author

James Freed Rachael Farquhar you can, call the Planning Dept for details.

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Don Campbell Very well said! PH is very lucky for having such a forward thinking City Manager. Keep up the good work and best of wishes going forward with the many challenges headed your way.

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March 14 at 5:39 PM ·

Happy 2nd Birthday, Lucy!



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Elia Hussain Happy birthday to Lucy! She is so adorable.

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Lu Andersen Happy Birthday, Lucy dear, happy wishes for you all year!

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March 13 at 1:39 PM ·

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**James Freed**  
March 13 at 8:56 AM

**City of Port Huron**  
Office of the City Manager, Chief Administrative Officer

To: Director of Finance and City Treasurer  
From: James R. Freed, City Manager, CAO  
Cc: Mayor and Council  
Date: March 13, 2020  
Re: Administrative Directive Water Shutoffs

Director Brennan and Treasurer Caryl,

In light of the potential threat of the COVID-19 Virus, I hereby direct that effective immediately no water shutoffs should occur in the City for a duration of 30 days. At that point I will reassess my Directive.

IT IS SO ORDERED,

James R. Freed  
City Manager  
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**Katie Maison** What about people who's water is off already? Are they being turned back on??

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**James Freed** Katie Maison yes

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 **Jimmy Bennett Backworth** Well damn I already paid my bill. Good looking out James Freed  
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 **James Freed**  
March 12 at 6:48 PM ·  
The new case of coronavirus is an individual in St. Clair County. Not a City resident. We anticipated this. We are prepared.  
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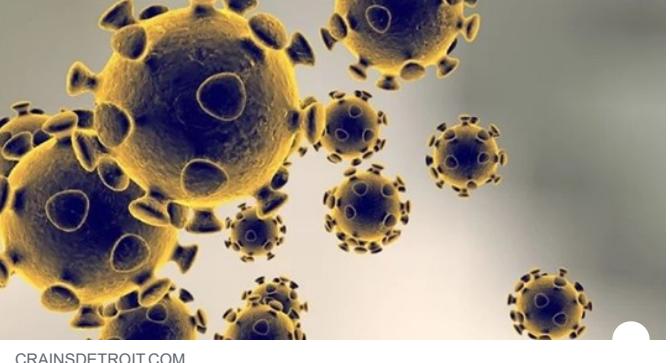
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**Michigan has third patient test positive for coronavirus**  
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 **Todd Carmody** Is it a PH Resident or somewhere else in the County?  
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 **Joe Stockwell** I just wish they werent so damn secretive regarding the city these people are located in. It could make a huge difference in the spread of it.  
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 **James Freed**  
March 12 at 5:37 PM ·  
A held a roundtable with regional media today to discuss the mitigation measures we have taken.  
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**Port Huron city manager discusses coronavirus precautions**

Port Huron City Manager James Freed held a media briefing Thursday...

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**Erin Babcock Martin** We will still have people coming to the six floor of the MOC since they need their state assistance or unemployment income.

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**James Freed**

March 12 at 12:54 PM ·

There is no intention on our part to overreact to the Coronavirus (COVID-19). However, it's incumbent upon your local officials to plan for the potential community transmission of COVID-19 and to take the necessary precautions to protect our residents and staff, and to take the necessary actions to slow the transmission of this virus.

An informational Page can be found here: [https://www.porthuron.org/alert\\_detail.php](https://www.porthuron.org/alert_detail.php)  
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March 11 at 7:51 PM



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"Basically, what they did is they expended a huge amount of money not knowing whether they were going to be able to recover the money because they put the safety of the residents in that area first." -City Attorney Todd Shoudy

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The city's attorney said they hoped to recover the \$472,300 cleanup costs...

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March 11 at 6:50 PM

Mayor Repp and I had a great time this evening talking with community stakeholders at our "Partners at the Pub" event. We outlined the adopted annual Mayor & Council and Administration Goals for fiscal year 2020-21. Lots of big projects ahead that will require a collaborative community effort to achieve! Thank you [Blue Water Area Chamber of Commerce](#) for hosting this event with us!



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**Todd Carmody** I would love to hear more about the information that was presented

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**Thelma Castillo** Great event and very informative!

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**James Freed**

March 10 at 5:05 PM ·

Mayor Pauline Repp, Port Huron joined fellow municipal leaders from across our state this week in Washington D.C. to lobby federal officials on a host of local issues. She was joined by the [Michigan Municipal League](#) and the [National League of Cities](#). Mayor Repp is the President of the Michigan Association of Mayors.



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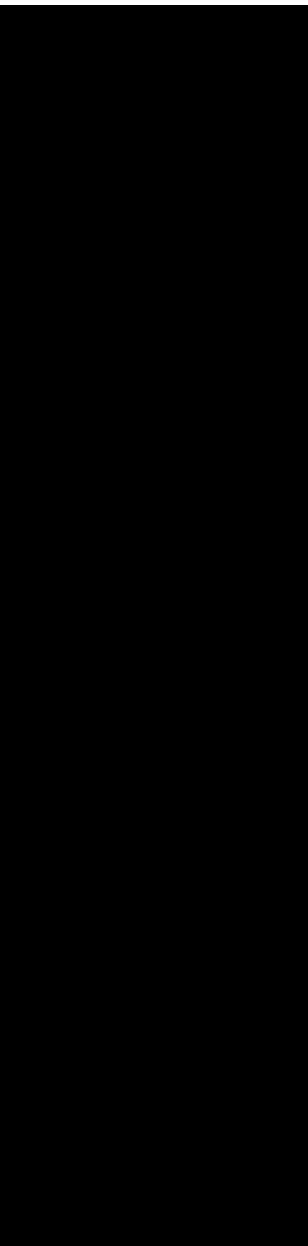
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March 9 at 2:15 PM ·

All I wanted for my birthday today was to take a walk with these two.



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**Lu Andersen** Lovely way to enjoy your birthday. Bet you are not the only one having a good time!

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**Janet Raab Cross** Happy birthday! She is a cutie and getting so big!

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**James Freed**

March 8 at 10:37 PM

Matt Fernandez was the entrepreneur-in-residence at the Underground, a co-working space and business incubator in [Downtown Port Huron](#). A serial entrepreneur, he was the coach for those launching or thinking about launching startup companies.

Today, he's back to being an entrepreneur, himself, having launched North Coast Golf Co. LLC last May to sell high-quality golf gloves and other golf accessories.

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A year ago, Matt Fernandez was the entrepreneur-in-residence at the...

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Awesome afternoon at Optimist Park!



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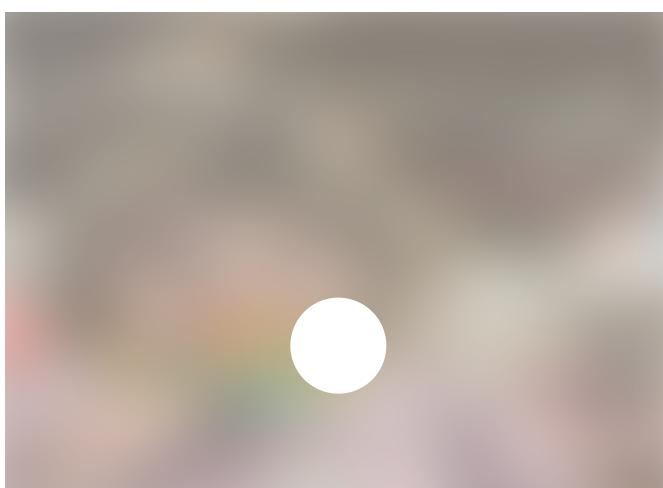


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**Helen Wisner Hatch-Rees** Lovely Spring day to visit a playground.  
Sweet little girl.[Like](#) · [Reply](#) · 1w**Beverly Littlewalker** Same park/new look - I grew up in this park.  
Thank you for sharing this picture.[Like](#) · [Reply](#) · 1w[View 1 more comment](#)**James Freed**

March 6 at 8:23 PM

Friday night exploring Cracker Barrel.



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